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SUBJ: PRESIDENT MALLOUM SUGGESTS TRAVEL TO US TO PRESENT
CHADIAN CASE FOR ARMAMENTS DIRECTLY TO PRESIDENT CARTER

1. VICE PRESIDENT DJIME CALLED ME TO HIS OFFICE THIS EVENING,
AND REQUESTED MY ADVICE ON HOW TO GO ABOUT MAKING ARRANGEMENTS
FOR PRESIDENT MALLOUM TO GO TO WASHINGTON IMMEDIATELY AND
PRESENT CHAD'S REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE PERSONALLY TO PRESIDENT
CARTER. HE STRESSED THAT ARMS WERE POURING INTO NORTHERN CHAD
FROM LIBYA AND SITUATION IS BECOMING DESPARATE. FOR FIRST
TIME HE STATED CATAGORICALLY THAT HE BELIEVED SOVIETS WERE
BEHIND PRESENT LIBYAN PUSH. I ASSURED VICE PRESIDENT THAT
PRESIDENT CARTER WAS ALREADY AWARE OF THE SITUATION IN CHAD.
I EXPLAINED THE MANY PROBLEMS CONCERNED WITH SUCH A VISIT,
BUT SAID THAT I WANTED TO SLEEP ON THE PROBLEM AND I WOULD
CALL HIM IN THE MORNING.

2. REALIZE THE SHORT NOTICE AND COMPLICATED SUBJECT MATTER
OF SUCH A VISIT MAKE IT EXTREMELY DIFFICULT. HOWEVER, IF WE
ARE GOING TO GRANT CHAD ANY ASSISTANCE BELIEVE WE COULD PROFIT
FROM THE VISIT AS A VISIBLE SIGN OF OUR INTEREST IN HELPING
MODERATE AFRICAN STATES DEFEND THEIR TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY
AGAINST OUTSIDE AGRESSION. IF WE ARE NOT GOING TO GRANT ANY
ASSISTANCE IT IS BETTER FOR ME TO SAY "NO" HERE RATHER THAN
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HAVE IT SAID IN WASHINGTON.

3. PLEASE ADVISE AS TO WHAT LINE I SHOULD TAKE WITH VICE
PRESIDENT IN MORNING.BRADFORD

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